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Omnibus Lecture Series brings first speaker of semester

Author/radio talk show host expresses political views 'for the people'

By Mishanna Wood
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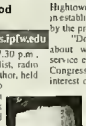
On Tuesday at 7.30 p.m., Jim Hightower, populist, radio talk show host and author, held the audience in Walb Ballroom captive with his political views which were accented with witty humor. Hightower's views focus on building grassroots democracy in the U.S. and bringing it from greed to greatness by tapping into the genius of working Americans.



Jim Hightower

"Speak the truth, but ride a fast horse," is one of Hightower's mottos.

Hightower said that democracy is being hijacked and American people are losing their right of self-governance to the political and monied elites in America. This event, says Hightower, is not being covered in established forms of media or by the presidential candidates.

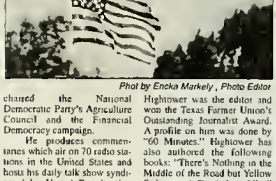
"Do people in power care about what taxi-drivers and service employees think? Does Congress act in the publics' interest or does it do what the lobbyists and campaign contributors want it to do?" asked Hightower.

According to Hightower, 75 to 95 percent of the American people who make less than $50,000 a year will give negative answers to those questions. The progressive, he added, need to open a new channel of the real people of this country.

"Were it not for agitators (those who speak up about a problem), we would still be wearing white powdered wigs saying 'God hail the queen.' Agitators built America. Sam Adams and the Sons of Liberty, Frederick Douglas Sojourner Truth fought for democracy," said Hightower.

Hightower said that there should be fairness, justice and equal opportunities for everyone. Only one percent of the American people make more than $287,000 a year, yet the economy is booming, according to Hightower. Hightower encouraged people to come together to educate themselves and form a progressive movement.

Hightower has fought with Washington and Wall Street to help consumers, working families, children, environmentalists and small businesses for over two decades. He was a legislative aid, investigated the impact of monopolies on farm and food policies and was a campaign manager in Washington during the '60s and '70s. In the '80s, he served as the Texas agriculture commissioner and in the '90s he chaired the National Democratic Party's Agriculture Council and the Financial Democracy campaign.



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He produces commentaries which air on 70 radio stations in the United States and hosts his daily talk show syndicated by United Broadcasting Network. Commentaries are also published on his web site at www.jimhightower.com/home.ss. "The Hightower Lowdown" is a newsletter co-edited and founded by Hightower. The Texas Observer is a biweekly news magazine of which Hightower was the editor and won the Texas Farmer Union's Outstanding Journalist Award. A profile on him was done by "60 Minutes." Hightower has also authored the following books: "There's Nothing in the Middle of the Road but Yellow Stripes and Dead Armadillos" and "If Gods Had Meant Us to Vote They Would Have Given Us Candidates."

The next scheduled lecturer Davis S. Broder will appear on Nov. 13 at 7.30 p.m. in Walb Ballroom

Office of Academic Affairs seeking visiting minority scholars

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The office of Academic Affairs is re-starting its visiting minority scholar-in-residence program. Its purpose is to increase the amount of minority faculty at IPFW. David McCants, associate vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, began the program in the fall of 1992. The first visiting professors arrived in the spring of 1993.

According to Judith Dilorio, affirmative action/equal opportunity officer, IPFW has 31 minority faculty members. The current guidelines for Affirmative Action call for 38 minority professors. (In this case, Affirmative Action numbers are based on the amount of minority professors who work in a specific field. For example, the social and natural sciences currently have a demand for minority scholars.

Part-time faculty are not included in these numbers. The largest minority group in Fort Wayne is African American. However, there are only three full-time African American educators at IPFW.

Proposals for visiting professors are being taken from all departments and schools. A few of Academic Affairs' goals are to have the professors stay anywhere from a week to an entire semester. It is either to have a minimum of two short-term residencies during the 2000-01 academic year and at least one full-semester residency in 2001-02.

A professor would be paid approximately $2,000 for a week-long stay, plus $1,000 for a residence. Schools and departments are expected to pay 25 percent of this amount. An additional $1,000 will be provided for extra expenses. Those who teach a full semester will be paid a salary through Academic Affairs. All of these terms are subject to negotiation.

All visiting professors are required to give one public presentation and meet with students. Those who work a whole semester must teach no less than two classes. Proposals for short-term stays have no deadline, but must be submitted no later than 10 weeks prior to the planned visit. Proposals for the 2001-2002 academic year are due March 1, 2001.

"We would love to hire some of these faculty members," said Jeanette Clausen, interim vice chancellor of Academic Affairs. "The lack of minority scholars has been an ongoing problem since I've been here (30 years). There are so many aspects as to why IPFW can't retain minority faculty members. It looks to the community as if we don't care, but we do."

According to McCants and Clausen, there are several reasons why minority professors have not stayed at IPFW. Many of them have taken positions at other universities, moved with their spouses, failed to meet tenure and retired.

"A program like visting minority scholars initiative is an indirect way to attract minorities. People might know prospective candidates. We need to do work directly That means more recruitment aggressively at other institutions. We need to take steps that would get minority persons onto our campus who might be candidates, as opposed to those who might be known by a mentor. We need more programs which directly reach persons who are applicants for positions," said McCants.

> Obtaining a diverse faculty and retaining them requires a continuous aggressive effort."
>
> *-David McCants, associate vice chancellor of Academic Affairs*

Academic Affairs has tried a couple of other tactics to acquire minority faculty members. "Grow your own," according to Clausen, is when the university pays for the education of a local minority. The person has an agreement to work for the university a certain number of years after earning a degree. Clausen said this program was active in the past and that she would like to see it active again.

IPFW has sent representatives to other universities to recruit minority professors, however, departmental search committees are responsible for the advertising and hiring of a position.

"Departments need to make sure a position is advertised where it will be seen. It is very desirable to advertise among organizations to which minority persons belong or in publications they read. Colleges with substantial numbers of minority graduate students in the discipline should be focused on, too. It is also important to define a desired expertise broadly, rather than narrowly," said McCants.

Clausen said there are at least two main reasons for diversity. First of all, students need someone they can identify with in a different way. Minority students need role models. Without them, IPFW is not as comfortable a place for them, said Clausen. She added that a diverse community is more interesting than one where everyone is alike. It is more interesting for students, society and the campus community, added Clausen.

"The issue is how to avoid losing ground. Obtaining a diverse faculty and retaining them requires a continuous aggressive effort," said McCants.

Proposal Requirements

1. A title page with the name of the visitor, the dates of the visit and a brief description of the project;

2. A copy of the visitors CV;

3. A statement of how the project meets the goals of the visting minority scholars program;

4 A schedule of activities in which the visitor will be involved.

5. A plan for assessing the visit; and

6. A budget team of the anticipated expenses, specifying what is being requested from Academic Affairs and what is available from other source

IPSGA to bring students together during Olympic viewing in Walb

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The Indiana University-Purdue University Student Government Association (IPSGA) in conjunction with the Alumni Association is providing free pizza, popcorn and pop during an airing of the Olympic Games in the Fireside Lounge on the evening of Sept. 25, from 11.30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.

The event is open to everyone. The Fireside lounge, located on the first floor of Walb Student Union, has couches and padded chairs. Students can bring blankets and pillows if they wish.

The U.S. Men's Volleyball Team is scheduled to be aired at 11 30 p.m. and track and field is scheduled for 12:41 a.m. However, the volleyball schedule is tentative. This is the first time Student Government has been involved in an event such as this. The women's volleyball coach for IPFW, Kelley Hartley brought this idea to the attention of Nick Gray, president of IPSGA.

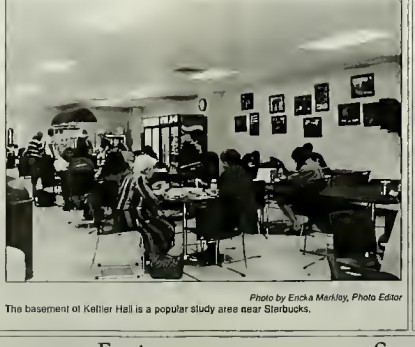
"Arne Ball, a former IPFW player from 1991-94 is captain of the men's volleyball team. Ball's first Olympic Games were in 1996. His father, and current IPFW men's volleyball coach, Arne Ball is a scout and assistant coach of Team USA.

"This is a great idea to support a former player and a current coach. The event brings student here after hours so they can have fun together. Thirty people are expected to attend," said Gray.

Gray said he is working with Walt Bowman, vice chancellor of Financial Affairs to keep the building open after 11 p.m. Police and Safety will be on duty. They can provide students with escorts to their cars if needed. Students will probably walk out in a group, said Gray.

"We may have similar activities in the future depending on the success of this event," said Gray

Afternoon studies



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The basement of Kettler Hall is a popular study area near Starbucks.

Athletic director shares thoughts on Division I status at IPFW

By Brian Miller
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On Sept. 18, The Communicator's Brian Miller sat down with IPFW Director of Athletics Walter Bowman and cleared the air about IPFW's move to Division I.

BM: How would you explain Division I to the average person?

WB Division I is the highest level of NCAA competition. As such in most communities, the fact that you are in Division I allows you the opportunity for greater visibility within the community. It allows you to recruit a student athlete who wants to play at the very highest level. It permits our student athletes to perform against student athletes at that very highest level. Whether or not we win or whether or not we lose is something we find out as we go down the road. From an economics standpoint, it has a tremendous impact because of the type of teams and programs that both we can go and play and we can invite here. It changes the total dynamics of who comes here. In Division II, very few people have probably heard of Northern Kentucky or Wisconsin-Parkside. If they have at least heard of them, that's all it means, but when suddenly you are playing competition and it's Valparaiso or Dayton, Evansville, Bowling Green, Duke or Indiana, that changes things. Normally, people want to see those programs, and it's going to help us economically and it's going to do more for the city and it's going to help us attract a different type of athlete than we've ever had here before, probably one that is more skilled.

Walt Bowman

BM: With all that said, do you think IPFW can compete on a Division I level?

WB Can we go into the Pac-10 or the Big 10—the answer is, no. We can't do that! Are there conferences out there that we can go and compete in and play Division I? Assuming there are probably 25 to 30 Division I conferences across the country, once we are in Division I for a couple of years, not the start up years, but against probably 12-15 of them we can hold our own. The reason I say that is because we will have the same number of opportunities (i.e. scholarships) that those programs have. Then, once we win a conference, we would be eligible for post-season play. Now, do I ever expect to see a team from the Mid-Con play in the Final Four? I would imagine probably not. The fact that you are able to play in them and bring pride to your community and pride to your school are just tremendous advantages, but I do think that yes, we would not have made this move if I had not felt that.

BM: Why does IPFW need Division I?

WB IPFW needs it in order to really have a feel of what I would consider a complete university. Why does it need dorms? Why does it need a world-renown faculty member to come? I think we need all of those things to further round us out into what a university is. We're (IPFW) talking about an innovative research institution. Most good institutions of higher learning have innovative research institutions attached to them. It challenges them. It challenges the faculty. It brings other types of things to the University. Dormitories? Could we exist without dormitories? Sure we could. In terms of campus life, that is missing unless we build dorms. Division I is the same thing. Can we survive in Division II? Yeah, but I don't think we could survive very well and I think the history over the years has proven that. Except for one program, primarily we're not known for anything. That I think Division I will change the dynamics of that and we'll bring more history. We'll bring greater opportunities to the university and it will bring a greater appeal. It will help us networking and do a lot of different things.

BM: How much work has been put into going Division I and what kind of responses have you had?

WB. Work has been going on in a lot of different forms since last March 15. There have been a number of meetings with groups and individuals over the last 17 months. The new people who are many, many friends in the community that have been introduced to the university through the median of athletics, really like it and are giving now probably ten times what it has been before. We can say that's good or that's bad. I would say that there is now more revenue and friends who are donating to the university through this move and more money that has been raised than at any time in the history of the university. Clearly from the outside and from our constituency of friends and alumni, it is something they want and are willing to pay for and help finance its importance.

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'Human errors' affect store, students

Campus bookstore undercharges students

Last week, classmates of one of the members of The Communicator staff discovered that the prices they paid for their books was inconsistent.

"Some of us paid $42, others paid $42.25 and some only paid $22.25 for our book. Many were mismarked," said junior Brooke Bays.

When the class period ended, several students went to the bookstore and confronted store manager Mark Kraus.

"The bookstore told us the books were mismarked because of "human error." How much human error will take place on the next order of books that we (the students) don't catch?" asked senior, Amy McDaniels.

The students requested that their money be refunded. In Follett's computer system, the used books were priced at $42.25. Those students who paid $22.25 or $42 were undercharged.

For each person who paid $22.25 for a book, Follett's lost approximately $20. In the long run, shrinkage (unknown loss of money or merchandise) could make the prices of books go up, said Kraus.

"For the students who get undercharged, it's like getting too much change back," said Kraus.

Kraus said that if students find the books mismarked before they purchase them, then they will get the lower price.

If students had been overcharged, he would have been happy to provide a refund.

There are errors in any retail business that will be made when humans are involved in marking prices, said Kraus.

According to Kraus, used books arrive at the bookstore in a series of shipments. For example, the store could receive "x" number of books one week. Two weeks later, it could receive 'y' number of books.

With each shipment, said Kraus, a different person could have been putting the prices on the books.

The bookstore probably did not catch the error because by the time the next shipment of books had come in, the entire previous shipment had been sold. Follett's also supplied with used books when it buys them back from students.

The probability of this situation happening with new books is lower because they are delivered in one shipment, instead of several. Kraus said the store has made errors similar to this one in the past. Kraus apologized to the students, but said there was nothing he could really do in this situation.

"Mr. Kraus is very good about being reasonable and showing good judgment. I have no problem with the bookstore's stance," said Nancy Hobbs, director of purchasing and support services. "If it was overpriced, we would have given them their money back."

Follett's does not have a written customer service policy, according to Hobbs, who said the bookstore wants to leave room open to deal with different situations that may arise.

Our view

Staff Editorial

We understand Follett's point of view in this matter, but we do not agree with their actions. The manager was polite and willing to speak with the students and our reporter; however, we feel that it is unfair to say that simply nothing can be done.

As McDaniels asked earlier, to what degree will students pay the price for human error the next time they purchase a book at Follett's? In this case, the students who were undercharged "lucked out." Those who just happened to pick the book with the correct price were stuck. It simply is not fair that people who shop at the same store for the same class have to pay different prices.

Whatever happened to customer service? Perhaps it doesn't matter so much in this case because Follett's is the most immediate place for IPFW students to purchase their textbooks. IPFW will always have a bookstore and students will always shop there. In addition, its consumers are always changing as students graduate and others enroll in their first college courses.

We believe that Follett's should have some type of written policy about customer service. The students and the employees of the bookstore would have some type of guidelines they could follow.

In addition to a policy, the employees of Follett's should be more cautious when they put the prices on textbooks.

One of the big differences between the student bookstore and any other type of retail store is that people who buy a specific book usually have a class together. They can compare notes.

As a business Follett's has lost money--something most businesses don't want to do. The business has also upset some of its customers. Students have always complained about prices. Now we just have one more reason to dislike buying books from Follett's. How will anyone really know what the correct price of a book is without checking it on the computer? They won't.

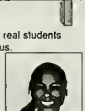
We have sympathy towards those students who paid the higher price for their books. We wish Follett's could have figured out some way to compensate them for the unequal book fees. Until there is some type of plan which states how to deal with situations such as this, we can only advise students to be extra cautious when they purchase their books.

Mismarked merchandise will be found in every retail store. In this case, it is an unfortunate for students and Follett's. Most students here work hard for everything they have. Unequal pricing on books just makes book-buying a little more frustrating for students. It causes lost dollars and upset customers for Follett's book store.

Student Voices

We asked students what they thought about the possible location of dorms across from campus on Crescent Avenue. Here is what some of them had to say.

Soon there will be real students sleeping on campus.



Nikki Harris, Sophomore, Business

Right: "I feel that it would be an ideal place for dorms, it will attract more people to come here. It is hard to find places to live and it will be a nice assistance."

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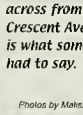
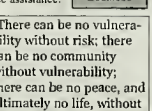


Dianna Hughes, Junior, Business

Left: "It does not make any sense because you still have to drive to campus."

"There can be no vulnerability without risk; there can be no community without vulnerability; there can be no peace, and ultimately no life, without community."
- M. Scott Peck

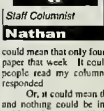


Adam Zollinger, Freshman, Undecided

Left: "We are old enough to cross the street."

"Everything's designed for us to learn about people--about ourselves--better. And we understand that we, as a human race, will always try to find out how different people act or how they look or how they feel, in order for us to realize that we're all the same."
- Chuck D.

No complaints...?



Staff Columnist
Nathan Ericson

If you remember a few weeks ago, I conducted a survey of the readers of this newspaper. It turned out to be fairly interesting.

I received a response from four IPFW students and faculty. This could mean a few things. First, it could mean that only four people read the newspaper that week. It could also mean only four people read my column, or only four people responded.

Or, it could mean that our paper is perfect and nothing could be improved upon...highly unlikely. It's very unlikely that only four people read my column, and even more unlikely that only four people read the newspaper that week.

I would like to personally thank those four readers for offering suggestions and their input. I found it extremely insightful. After all, we as the creators of this newspaper have certain ideas of what we can do with it, but that may not be what the student body wants to read about. It's like an election. The candidates have ideas and ideals they campaign with. They represent what a certain majority of the people want. When it comes time to vote, we vote for the candidate that we like, and we speak out against the ones we don't like.

Well, how can we understand what you, as readers, really want to read about if you don't tell us? There are certain things we are going to write about, regardless, but there are plenty of events on campus that just go unnoticed. We would love to cover some of these things, but how do we know if you don't speak out?

I know many people who think The Communicator is just plain bad. My question to these people is, "Have you ever done anything to better it?" It's the same type of scenario as people who complain about our political leaders, but they never vote. If you don't vote, then you don't complain about who was elected. At the same time, if you have never offered ideas for the newspaper, then please don't ridicule it.

It would be great to hear some more ideas this week. You can still email me at communicator-survey@juno.com, and I will get it. What are some of the student groups that are out there that are having activities? How about cultural events?

I know that the French club sponsors movie nights at the Cinema Center. Do any other organizations do things like this? I am thoroughly interested in this because it is our campus. I found out long ago that if you get involved in something, then college can be a great deal more fun that it already is.

How can we know about opportunities to get involved in if we don't even know they exist? The Communicator is a great way to help get the word out.

Speaking of opportunities, come write for us! We are always looking for writers, photographers, artists, etc. All one would have to do is walk into the office in Walk, and they would most assuredly be put to work covering some story. That's what I did, and I love it.

"It were not best that we should all think alike; it is difference of opinion that makes the horse races."
- Mark Twain

Live Olympics?

Managing Editor
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The Olympics are here and the United States is in full swing of winning medals as we all hoped that they would. To actually be able to watch the United States in live action is another story. As many Olympic viewers know, Sydney is 15 hours ahead of us here So, basically when it is daytime here in the United States it is nighttime in Sydney. Most of the events that we do watch on television during the Olympics are a day old by the time that we view them.

What seems to be a result of non-live coverage of the Olympics is that television viewership is down. One can find results of events on the internet, watching ESPN or local news and by newspaper. We receive The News-Sentinel at work and we are able to check out the scores and winners of that day's events every afternoon. For example, I knew Monday afternoon that Megan Quann had one a gold medal in the 100m breaststroke and that the U.S. men's gymnastics team placed fifth in the finals. However, these events were not shown on television until Monday night. Once people know the outcome of the events, they do not want to watch later that evening. Why should someone watch if they know who is going to win the 100m butterfly race? The stations doing the Olympic television broadcast try to make it as live as possible. We all know, that for the most part, it is not.

Knowing the results takes out the excitement that is supposed to come with watching the Olympic games. I can remember watching the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and how much fun it was to sit and cheer on the United States. After all of the commercialism and hype that they have built into the 2000 Sydney Olympics, one would think that they would want as much support as they could get through any avenue of sports media. Maybe, they should have handled the release of information in a different way by not providing results to the general public right away. That way we would have to watch the Olympics to see who won. That would make it more current for us and live at the same time. I understand that there is not much that Sydney can do about the time difference. It is not their fault where they are placed on this earth.

I have been watching the Olympics over the past few days. Even though I do know some of the results, I still enjoy watching them. I understand that some do not, though. Keep in mind that the 2002 winter Olympics are being held once again here in the States. Most of those events will be live to our viewing audience.

It is just disappointing to see so much hard work, time and money going into this 2000 Olympics and knowing that the viewing support is down due to a single factor of live broadcasts. I hope that as the Olympics go on in the next couple of days viewership will go up along with the United States' victories.

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Slavic Soul Party! brings unique sound to IPFW

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New York City band Slavic Soul Party! will give a free concert tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Neff Recital Hall.

The band, which plays a mixture of original and traditional Balkan folk songs, is lead by 27-year-old percussionist Matt Moran.

Chris Speed on clarinet, Rossen Zahariev on trumpet, Curtis Hasselbring on trombone and Ted Reichman on accordion, round out the rest of the band.

"I play Balkan and Slavic music because I love it and love the social role of the music," Moran says. "I love playing for dancers and I love the way the dance phrasing imparts a kinesthetic rhythmic phrasing to the real roots music. I try to bring that social energy and kinesthetic rhythmic phrasing to our own ensemble and improvisational personality."

Moran has a master's degree in jazz composition from New England Conservatory in Boston. As a jazz musician and a vibraphonist, he has been heavily involved in the New York City jazz scene, playing in several recent festivals and recording and playing with jazz artists Lionel Hampton, Bumber Schuller and Ellery Eskelin

"As a musician," Moran says, "I'm trying to play music—whether it's my own music or that of another composer or culture—that breathes with life and energy. I like to show people another way of looking at and hearing things, which is probably why I'm not playing 'popular' music. I'm involved with a body of New York musicians who push themselves to create their own music, and pass boundaries and pigeonholes that the music industry perpetuates."

Through his interest and participation in Balkan folk music, Moran is also a prominent figure in the Balkan folk music and dance scene in the city. Aside from SSP!, he plays in the Matt Moran Trio, John Hollenbeck's Claudia Quintet, the Mat Maneri Quintet and the Theo Bleckmann Group. Moran also leads Sideshow, which plays the compositions of art music composer Charles Ives.

Of SSP! Moran says that he's been "totally overwhelmed by popular response to the group. In New York, both the folk/dance crowd and the downtown scene have been really interested in what we're doing. Elsewhere in the United States I've found that Balkan immigrant communities and especially their children-born in the United States, but still connected to the culture-are really excited. They're psyched to see some recognition of the traditional culture, which is fading out in most places."

Women's Financial Information program teaches dollar skills

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For many IPFW students, graduation will mean much more than just receiving a degree. Not only will they get good jobs, but they will also make a lot of money. With that money, however, comes a large responsibility and often times a lot of financial paperwork. Notices from the school will be replaced with notices from health care providers

Financial aid checks will be replaced with financial aid bills. And on top of all of this are living expenses such as groceries, gas, car and house payments. How can the flood of financial burdens that comes with getting out in the world be survived?

The Women's Financial Information Program may be the solution students need to become educated about money management and the intricacies it entails. The seven-session series sponsored by the Purdue Cooperative Extension Services closes out its final year by teaching both male and female students a vast amount of crucial financial information.

"The idea is to increase financial knowledge as people work through the program," said Vickie Hadley, consumer and family science extension educator. "It's also an incentive for them to get their legal documents completed, pulled together and ready to go."

Despite the misleading name, the Women's Financial Information Program is offered for both men and women. "The American Association of Retired People (AARP) started this program a number of years ago, and it was targeted to women over the age of 50 when they set the program up. That's why it's called the Women's Financial Information Program," Hadley said. "Since then, I expanded it because I feel that neither age nor sex should be a critical factor when people begin taking care of all of their financial documents."

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Allen County did not begin offering the Women's Financial Information Program until 1994. The program, using seven seminars that build upon each other from week to week, deals with a specific topic each evening. In the first part of the evening, a professional specializing in the evening's topic gives a presentation that generally lasts an hour to an hour and fifteen minutes. After a short break, the group splits into smaller parts to work on workbooks and other activities while continuing the discussion.

The Women's Financial Information Program includes many different topics. The first session deals with organization. Later sessions cover topics such as financial statements, banking and credit options, legal documents, health care providers and investment plans. The last session, which Hadley said precedes a small graduation party, deals with how to hire and fire professionals.

The $20 charge gives attendees a great deal of information. "Twenty dollars covers all seven sessions and also covers the cost of the workbook," Hadley said. "There will be a number of publications that go along with it, as well. Plus, each one of the speakers has many times will have materials they provide." The fee also covers a light snack which will be served between the presentation and small group session each evening, she added.

The program runs from Oct. 9 to Nov 27 with no session Nov. 13. Because AARP is ending the program this year due to a change in focus, it will be discontinued as of Dec. 31

This will be the last time this program is offered at IPFW and students are urged to register before the Oct. 2 registration deadline. For more information on the Women's Financial Program, call the Allen County Extension Office at 481-6826 or stop by during its campus office hours.

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23 Kids Fun Fest, Memorial Coliseum, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.; also **Sept. 24**, noon–5 p.m. For information, call 6165.
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23 Bellarmine University, time TBA.
26 University of Saint Francis, 4 p.m.
28 Bethel College, 3 p.m.
30 University of Indianapolis, noon

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27 Symphonic Wind Ensemble, 7:30 p.m

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28 Learning Styles Workshop, KT 128, 3–4 p.m.

27 **International Workshop Program,** WU G21, 2:30–4:30 p.m., for information, call 6608
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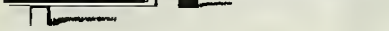

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Free Fall to Serenity

By Todd Hamm
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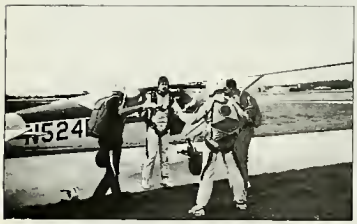
It is said that if your parachute doesn't open when you sky dive, it's not the crushing impact that will kill you, but your own fear. A fear so pervasive and imminent that it stops your heart long before you hit the ground.

Sky diving–like mountain climbing, big wave surfing, back country skiing, really any of the innumerable extreme sports–lives up to its reputation as one of the more dangerous and notorious activities a person can engage in.

Why then would anyone jump out of an airplane at 3,500 feet and entrust his meager existence to a few strands of parachute material? When faced with the question, Charles Andrews stares it down with an insurmountable amount of fact.

"Most people just want to try it one time," says the owner of Sky Dive Goshen, one of the area's few sky diving businesses and schools. "They'll say that it's something they've always wanted to do. One of the phrases we always hear is 'before I die I want to jump out of an airplane.'"

His customers, he says, are also "looking for some type of extreme escape from everyday life." Sky diving, he adds, definitely measures up to their idea of "extreme escape." "It's a high adrenaline sport. The excitement level is very high and intense, but it's relaxing too because of the feeling you get after the jump during the canopy decent when everything is quiet and peaceful."



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Students practice before sky diving.

Goshen Municipal Airport, which has housed Andrews' Sky Dive Goshen for the past 15 years, doesn't look like much from the highway: a few runways, some hangars and a pair of rotting USAF planes. But once divers start landing in the outlying grassy fields, you know something's unique about this otherwise forgettable locale.

Andrews originally started Sky Dive Goshen after a friend who had owned a similar business, offered to sell it to him.

Andrews now employs a crew of expert sky diving instructors and pilots and maintains two Cessna single engine planes.

Each year they teach about 250 to 400 students. Combined with the large group of experienced jumpers the company also serves, right around 3,500 jumps are made at Sky Dive Goshen every year.

While experienced jumpers pay $40 for each jump, first time jumpers pay $140. This includes jumping fees, as well as the cost of the five and a half hour class first time jumpers must enroll in. In the class, they learn the basics of sky diving–from airplane safety to handling parachute malfunctions. When they complete the class, they are deemed ready for their first jump. They also become certified members of the United States Parachute Association, one of the few providers of high risk accident insurance.

On the first jump, students are taken to a height of 3,500 feet and then dropped by themselves from the plane. They descend for about four to six seconds of free fall before the parachute deploys. The chute is attached to the plane via a static line and deploys automatically. Students also have a back-up parachute in case the first one doesn't open.

"Climbing out of the airplane is probably half the fun," Andrews says. "You have to climb out of the airplane in flight while it's moving at about 85 miles per hour. You stand on the wheel of the airplane and eventually end up hanging from it before releasing yourself. You have the feeling that you're actually walking around outside of the plane while it's flying, which is kind of exciting."

During the five or so seconds of free fall, your body reaches speeds of between 115 to 120 miles per hour. Once the parachute deploys, you slow down to a speed of about 1,000 feet per minute.

Andrews says that, despite risks, the sport is "very safe." The reason people have accidents while sky diving, he says, is that you can make it as safe or as dangerous as you want it to be.

Sky Dive Goshen has had no fatalities. The worst injury seen was a broken leg. Usually, Andrews says, only one of the many students he and his crew train each year is injured.

Photo courtesy of Charles Andrews

A student makes a successful landing.

Andrews himself has suffered only one minor cracked heel in all of his more than 3,600 jumps since he got hooked on the sport in 1969.

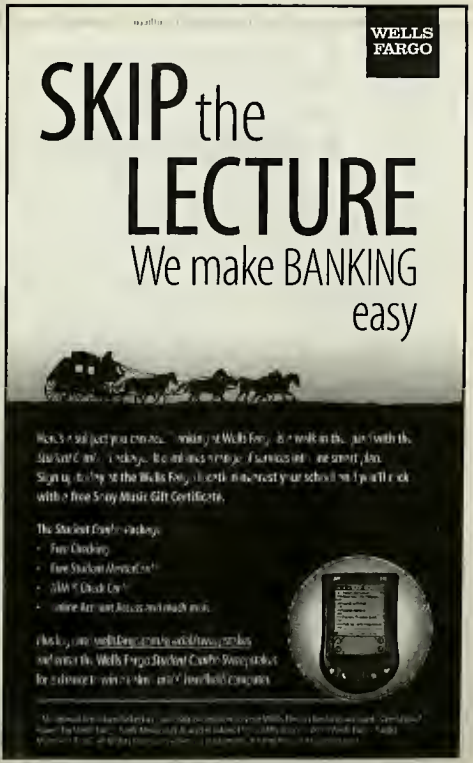
Sky divers can jump year round, weather permitting. Sky Dive Goshen is open all day Saturday and Sunday, as well as Wednesday evenings.

To get to Goshen Municipal Airport, take Highway 33 North until you see signs for Goshen. The airport will be visible to the west side of the highway. Once you see County Road 42, make a left and drive about a quarter mile. Sky Dive Goshen is in the first complex of buildings on the north side of 42. For more information call 219-642-3156, or visit Andrews' web site at www.skydivegoshen.com.

Andrews notes that some restrictions apply. Sky divers must be at least 18 years old and cannot weigh more than 235 lbs.

Photo by Todd Hamm, Features Editor

Charles Andrews, far right, and members of his staff stand in front of one of the two single engine Cessna airplanes the business uses.



Bowman sits down to set the record straight on DI

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BM: The move to Division I has been spearheaded by you and the chancellor (Michael Wartell), if this is something that both you guys are so adamant about, why are your resumes out across the nation?

WB: There are no resumes out on my behalf and I can just simply say that that out, so that's a misconception. I told the chancellor if he put the letter in, I would see us through the transition. That's what I am in the process of doing. Periodically, chancellors will be asked to take a look at other positions across the country. Most chancellors between their seventh to tenth year are being looked at. Certainly, Mike Wartell could stay here, but there are those colleges that take a look at what he has done here in everything, not just Division I, but in everything. As an institution, has the institution grown? Has the faculty grown? Have buildings grown? Have standards of the university grown? Has endowment grown? If the answer is yes to that, and in my opinion, the answer is yes to that, this makes him an attractive candidate for other universities that are looking.

BM: You have made your name as an athletic director by revamping programs, whether It be at Fullerton, Gordon College or here. What is your future? Are you going to build a house in Fort Wayne?

WB: This is my last college job. My next step is to retire. I have a home in California, which I will retire to. I am not buying a home in Fort Wayne. I am here until whatever time this university feels I can service them leading them into Division I, seeing that that transition takes place. This is my last intercollegiate athletic job.

BM: As someone who has been to the Division I level, what is it that is so great about Division I that Fort Wayne doesn't know they're missing?

WB: When I was at Cal St.-Fullerton, which was between 1989-1991, at that time the Running Rebels of Las Vegas were the number one team in the country and also in my time won the National Championship. The next year, they lost, I think, in the finals. Do you know what it's like in a community like Fullerton, which isn't that much different than a Fort Wayne? When the Runnin' Rebels came into town and the gym was sold out and they were staying at the local Marriott and their herd of fans came and the band was there and the excitement was there and the cheerleaders were there and the newspapers were there and the place was hanging by the rafters and the year UNLV were the National Champions, we, Cal-St. Fullerton beat them at Fullerton by one point. When you build those rivalries up and Fullerton and UNLV was a huge rivalry, I went down to Nordstrom's and got Nordstrom's to pay me $10,000 to sponsor that game. I can't get $10,000 for Parkside, but I guarantee you, when we play Indiana, Purdue or Notre Dame at the Coliseum, someone will sponsor that game at mega-dollars and want to be a part of that. So your whole outlook changes. That game goes on to be on ESPN and we had ESPN there doing the game live. What was Notre Dame like last week when Purdue went in there? Notre Dame is smaller then we are! So when those equivalences come and I've said this to many groups before, can you imaging waking up in the morning and saying, "I'm going to the Coliseum to see IPFW play Indiana" and the excitement that is going to be there as you're walking into the Coliseum, being an IPFW person. We're playing Indiana (might change now that Bobby's no longer there), but the excitement is still going to be there. Can you imagine in six or seven years from now when we pull a major upset? The pride that is going to be there in this university, this community? Until you've been through it, you can't envision it and that's what I envision for Fort Wayne and our alumni and our students.

BM: From an athletic standpoint, do you feel as if Fort Wayne has supported IPFW?

WB: At best its been a mixed bag. I think there are aspects of men's volleyball that they have clearly supported. I think they saw the beginning of a little more support for men's soccer at the Showcase. Look at the attendance figures. Look at the money that was raised up until now. There is no money in Fort Wayne for Division II. There is money in Fort Wayne for Division I.

BM: Do you believe that Fort Wayne cares if we're playing Division I Southern Utah as opposed to Division II Northern Kentucky?

WB: Yes, I think it will. You're comparing two teams out of two respected conferences. As those two games go, I think the answer is no, but if you say, "Does this community change if we're playing Ball State or Valparaiso?" yeah, I think it does dramatically. I don't think either one of those games can be held in our gym and Northern Kentucky can always be held in our gym."

BM: Why do you believe community support and local newspaper coverage will change just because we are Division I?

WB: I do think it will be a game-by-game circumstance, obviously. I have already had conversations with the one newspaper which has given serious conversation to assigning us a beat writer because we're going to be Division I. Now that would never happen in Division II. Do I think they'll go out for a cross country meet? No, but I think they will come out and support our seven sports that are public interest sports. If we would sign and next week we have a news conference, and we are not having one, but if I were to say to you that next year IPFW is going to play UCLA and one of these television stations is talking about televising back into the community, I don't think for one second that not a single person would not tune to that game. We're in Indiana. We're in basketball country. We're in Division I. We're talking 64. We're talking national names. Every home here will tune into that.

BM: We keep hearing that we will have big games. Have we received any contracts? Are any of these games here at IPFW?

WB: Probably the first year, they will not be here. Those are the biggest names. Don't look to see Arizona here, for instance, in the first year I know we are hoping that either Indiana or Purdue will agree and come to open up our first year. Right now we are in very serious with Weber State and Wichita State who have expressed their desire to play us at home. Those are big names that would never appear in Fort Wayne. Do I think they will draw better than some other schools? Yeah, I do think that, but I think when we talk about the big team schools, at least initially, we will be playing those away.

BM: Do we have contracts for Weber State and Wichita State?

WB: No. I think now it's just a matter of deciding on a date we have both agreed to play each other. It's just setting on a date. What we want to do, in all honesty, is get the big names definitely in concrete and then we have dates to work some of the others around. I would say over the next couple of weeks you will see us hold a press conference for some of these teams that we are beginning to sign. Billy Gernon (IPFW baseball coach) has just gotten a Big Ten school to sign on a three-day weekend. It's starting. It's absolutely starting around here in terms of the type of difference a schedule is going to make.

BM: In the past, the number one money maker and community support has been men's volleyball. Is there pressure on Doug Noll to market his program to become the number one money maker here at IPFW?

WB: No, it's no different. I would hope that Arnie Ball and men's volleyball and what it's done here will continue to do that and continue to pack them in at those critical games. So, there is no more pressure on Doug than there is on Arnie. The pressure is to build the program to such a degree that it is very competitive so that people want to see it and it isn't up to anybody then to go out there and do their very best. It's no different for Kelley or Terry. You want to go out there and get the most attractive schedules you can and be the most competitive and you hope you offer the community something they want to see.

BM: How does the coaching staff feel about the move?

WB: I can only go by the degree that all of the coaches I hired, during the process of hiring them, we talked Division I and they knew where we were going, so that answers itself. Certainly, Terry (Stefankiewicz) has told me to my face that he wants to be Division I. He probably just didn't want it to happen this year when he had a senior studded team. So when you ask how the coaches feel, I say, probably with the exception of one coach, they all want to rise to the challenge. I think we are all disappointed we won our appeal in August, when the school year started, but I'm not aware of any coach that has came to me with the exception of one coach who said, "I'll support it, but I'm rather ambivalent." No other coach has come down here and said, "I don't want to do this." This is primarily because I hired all of them and they all know w as coming, so that is something they wanted. Timing is a different issue, but clearly all of the coaches, and I've talked to them all, want to be Division I coaches

BM: Let's talk about the timing. Why not wait for the two-year moratorium? Why now?

WB: We could have waited and maybe a year from now the NCAA, instead of having a two-year moratorium, suddenly votes another eight-year moratorium. We were told by the members of the NCAA, in all honesty, that they couldn't tell if things are going to change or not. We could have waited, but maybe they would have passed a new law that said every member coming into Division I has to have 20,000 (students.) Maybe everyone has to offer 150 scholarships or maybe we don't want anyone for another ten years. All of those things could have happened, had we waited. We know that right now is the time and my personal opinion is that the NCAA is going to make it real difficult over the next two to three years for any new members. Primarily, they do not want to have to add to the field of 64 or other championship brackets. I think they want to find ways for conferences to combine and they can do some other types of things. I would be very surprised if, over the next five years, you see ten schools join Division I.

BM: Schools like Gardner-Webb and IUPUI, they planned for three to four years. We planned 14 months. What makes you think we'll be as successful or more successful? Are we jumping ahead of ourselves?

WB: We're never jumping ahead of ourselves. I think we'll always be more successful then Gardner-Webb. I don't think they have any potentials for conference play. They have football. Their dynamics are different.

Photo by Elmer Denman, LRC

Senior Jamie Holderman, who is captain of the women's basketball team may be losing up to five teammates with the move to Division I.

Geographically, they're different. We've made our decision based on what's best for this university and what's best for the city of Fort Wayne. The timing has nothing to do with it, whether you're talking 14 months, four months or four years. Everybody knows that this is the bottom line. Had we received the information in July and had a two-year moratorium not been placed in like every other year, we never would have had to have gone through the whole deal. Had we known in July, when our appeal for the moratorium to be lifted had proven successful, every coach that was prepared to talk their team and to take on the difficulties which would have arisen. What has hurt and compounded it, which has nothing to do with 14 months or four years, was the two-month delay in the appeal. The whole difference came about that we're in the school year versus July. Every coach will tell you that is the difference

BM: Who's to blame for the two-month delay?

WB: No one wants to play the blame game. I would be easy to say, "Well, if the NCAA had given me the approval in July, we wouldn't have been sitting here. They turned us down. We appealed. There is no one to blame." I'm not going to blame the NCAA and anybody who is thinking correctly isn't going to blame anybody in here. Now if you're going to question why we didn't allow the moratorium to go, now that's a different question, but there is no blame.

BM: The main losers of this move are the present student-athletes. Were they treated fairly in your decision?

WB: Are you saying the present or the small percentage of them?

BM: I'm saying the present.

WB: I don't think the present are [treated unfairly] because when I talk to the freshmen and sophomores, they are delighted that we are going. That is part of the reason they came here because they knew we were going Division I. So I throw out the premise of your question right there!

BM: I believe, for example, on the women's volleyball team that there isn't a girl on the team who wouldn't give up Division I status to be a part of this run to allow Laura (Douglas) and Tomi (Isch) to go ahead and compete in post season.

WB: I think you're probably right on that, but that wasn't your question. That's why I asked you a small percentage or the student-athletes? You said the student athletes and I disagree with that. The general student-athletes came here to go Division I. They are freshmen and sophomores and that's what we're doing. In doing this move so late in the year, it has clearly disenfranchised some student-athletes. No debate. No argument. However, you are also going on the base and there is no easy way to say this, but if you want to say our teams sitting here on Sept. 18, 2000, have already made the playoffs, then I think your question is very fair, but if over the next three to five weeks our record is such that we might not have gotten chosen because there are no automatics in Division II, then I'll give you your thing. Let's say that the team goes undefeated in conference play and wins the important regional games and we get to Nov. 1. Then we are clearly disenfranchised and disappointed. Then I think the premise of your question is very, very good, but certainly the members of that team would have given up the moratorium right now to go and play. But if we get to Nov. 1 and each team has four to five conference losses and didn't win the conference, then we wouldn't be talking now anyway. So you can't deal with what-ifs. You have to deal with what's known at the current time

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BM: Well, one thing that is known at the current time is that the women's basketball team will lose Division I transfers. Obviously they didn't come here knowing that they weren't going to be able to play.
WB: You're wrong. Some of them did come here late in the summer and Karl told her that she might not be able to play. Go check it out with him! So he has two, but one of them came well after the deadline and he told me that I told her that she may not be able to play. She's a Division I transfer. So again it's the miscommunication. We can't just go and put blanket statements on everybody.

> "Up until last year, we lost money every year and the only money we raised last year was in anticipation of this Division I."
> *-Walt Bowman, director of athletics*

BM: Not meaning to play the blame game, but are the Athletic Director and the Athletic Administration taking zero responsibility for the loss of eligibility for these players?
WB: What is the responsibility, other than the fact that we all feel it's primarily that we had some miscommunication from the NCAA in its ultimate position? I have to take any of that responsibility and I gladly shoulder the blame and assume full responsibility. So if there are those people that are going to read The Communicator and want to blame a person, I am clearly the person to blame. So I'm not looking to shirk anything."

BM: What have you told the players who, because of this move, have become ineligible?
WB. What we have told the players who . . .on paper . . .at the present time appear ineligible is that we are going to appeal all of those cases and we are in the process of doing that. Some of those appeals I don't think we'll win. Some of them I would like to hope we will win, but I think the first thing we have to do is appeal them. . . and you and the readership are assuming that some of our student-athletes have no options. Now there is probably less option for the kids in the fall, but for the kids in the winter and spring [there are still options.] If we have a non-qualifier in Christmas for baseball, he can leave and still have four years of eligibility at a Division II school. We might have a senior in softball that if she chooses to redshirt that option is still there. There are options in front of these kids. The ones that really have their backs against the wall are the fall kids. What I'm hearing from the coaches is that no student athlete has asked to go back. To me it shows that, while disappointed they may not be able to play this year as a non-qualifier, they still want to be here to play Division I. They want to see how they stack up against the best. Although it doesn't erase the sensitivity and the trauma of a few of the kids that had been impacted,... when they look at the bigger picture, freshman baseball players are going to be playing Notre Dame, Purdue and Indiana and a lot of these other schools, and I don't know how they'll do sitting here right now, but I'll tell you one thing, they're not going to throw their glove from the third base dugout and say, 'Oh, we can't beat those guys,' and I think that's the challenge.

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BM: How profitable were we as a Division II school?
WB. Up until last year, we lost money every year and the only money we raised last year was in anticipation of this Division I. Every year in late June, they were having to struggle to balance the budget, steal, beg, borrow and there was one year I was told that the school had to clear out all of the coaches' savings accounts to pay off the debt. So I think, without a doubt, until last year, this was a losing proposition.

BM: How will this department change?
WB. The majority of the teams all will have full-time assistant coaches. Sports Information is going to get additional help. Our training room already has additional help. We probably could use a little bit more down there. Every program will have graduate assistants next year. They would never have in Division II. They now have four days a week of clerical help. The full-time compliance coordinator has to be answered by the Chancellor. If we get a full-time compliance coordinator, that's a huge step forward. There is not one single thing in Division I that will set us back or disenfranchise that wouldn't make us better than what we are right now. Ask any coach what they want and they'll tell you a full-time assistant coach. They all have one next year. Most of them want graduate assistants and most of them will also have that next year. So when you ask the coaches, they all are absolutely delighted. Again, it all comes to the bind we find ourselves in due to the late appeal and if there are people out there that they want as a scapegoat, I will serve as their scapegoat.
If there are people that wonder if we will be better off in the next three years than we've been at any time, the answer is already in and it's overwhelmingly yes!

BM: How are we addressing the problems with our facilities, one which may not even be in the top half in the GLVC (i.e. weight room, showers, gymnasium, public address system, scoreboard, etc...)
WB. According to the commissioner of the Mid-Con, our facilities are comparable or better to those schools in the Mid-Con. Our soccer, our baseball, our softball all clearly are better. Our availability to the Coliseum and Wizards Stadium, none of them have. These are his statements, not mine. Our gym needs some refurbishing. We all know that. I would hope that that is something in the next 2-4 years that we address and raise $100,000 to refurbish. I think as we go down this road and make our budgets, we can do some of those things each year. Maybe one year we do something with the locker rooms, next year something with the bleachers and the year after that, something with the sound system. Clearly, after 20 years, we have some needs in the Hilliard Gates Sports Center. But those needs exist whether we're in Division II, III or whatever. It is not a Division I problem."

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BM: Before, we were operating on a budget under or around $1 million. Now we are operating on a budget of $2.5 million, a figure Valparaiso called "bare bones." Where does that money come from and how will it be spent?
WB. The majority of the difference of the money will be spent in scholarships now that we're moving to Division I and all of that money is being underwritten by all of our friends out in the community and also through guarantees and other types of programs we're running. Some of it will come through sponsorship and signage packages and that stuff is well in hand. I talked to John Steinberg of the Mid-Con last Thursday. He was here in my office. Does Valparaiso have football? Yes, so our programs probably aren't much different. The commissioner said you don't have a problem with $2.5 million if you don't have football. You don't have too far to travel and you have six schools in driving distance of you. So we may be in some areas a little less, but our budget will be just fine.

BM: How will coaches' salaries change?
WB: That's more of a senior administrative question on how we're going to do that and we have some problems there. I'll be very up-front and honest. We need to do something in that area. We are here in a university where we're not going to have any Bobby Knight-type salaries, not when the faculty and everybody else is trying to get along. But we do want to be equitable to where we are in conferences and other things and I do think we'll get there. Will we get there in one year? Probably not, but in a period of two to three years, I hope that we can make major strides. I hope also that the faculty and the state make major strides in doing what needs to be done appropriately. Again though, it's not a Division I issue. For the faculty and the coaches that are here, if we feel they are underpaid, it has nothing to do with Division I. I think our faculty deserves appropriate and major raises to put them into compliance with their counterparts with Indiana, Purdue and Duke, but until that happens, we fight within the state constraints with where we are today in growth and all of that. Again, these issues are deeper than Division I, much deeper.

BM: If our teams aren't successful, do you believe our donors will still donate money?
WB. Yes! Absolutely. Our donors haven't said to me, 'Well, jeez Walt, we'll give you two years and if you're not successful, we'll pull the plug.' The donors that we're dealing with aren't fair-weather people; they are people that want to see this university grow and achieve. They want to attract other business into their community. In order to do that, they have to do things for their new businesses, their new CEOs and their kids for places to stay and places to go and things to do. It isn't just all athletics! The people that are behind us are behind us for the long run because they believe that dorms and institute research creates a better university, not that anything is wrong with what we're doing now, but it creates a better university and a better university is good for Fort Wayne.

BM: What is your advice for the non-believers?
WB: I would hope they would give us an opportunity and they would engage themselves in the process and come and see the new look in the next 3-5 years and to realize you're not looking at 12 months. You really are 48-60 months away and see where they are and at that point of time, let them decide. I know there are some doubters, but I hope they give us an opportunity.

BM: Are you afraid of failure?
WB: No, I am not afraid of us failing. I wasn't afraid of us getting into Division I or not. I knew it was the right thing. You need to understand who I am as a person. This is my fifth university. I am a born-again believer. I believe the Lord led me to IPFW. Maybe when I came here I didn't know all of the reasons, but I believe that, for all of the right reasons in my faith, that is why I'm here. I have tremendous confidence in that faith and I believe in my faith that the Lord has led every single step that I've come into. If you write about this I think you need to write in, according to my faith, because we have many, many different faiths on this campus. So I'm not afraid of failure. I went to Michigan State for a Ph.D. I didn't know whether or not I was qualified to earn a Ph.D, but I wasn't worried about failure because you fail only if you never take the steps. Once I committed myself to Michigan State, then failure was no longer in my vocabulary. When I got married, my father told me that there is no such word as divorce, don't know how to spell it, never heard it, it's not defined, it's a lifelong commitment, but I am convinced that this move is the right move for this university. It is not a Walt Bowman, a Mike Wartell, a Brian Miller, it is not anything else. It is a move at this university that creates a different atmosphere and moves us closer to my definition of what a university is. Did it absolutely have to be made? No, I don't think it did, but if you look at this university, to what it was in 1999 to what it will be in 2005 with dorms and Division I, I think it will be a better university. I am just convinced of that. I have to be honest, the word failure does not cross my mind as it relates to these types of things. I am confident of why I am here and I am confident that because you use the term 14 months as fast, I think 14 months is slow under the old system. Had the chancellor put the letter out in May, it would have made it a 13-month process. Again, it isn't the move, it's the timing. The support from the community and the support from inside the campus won't let us fail. I had a faculty member come up to me and say, 'Walt, this move is great and even if this move costs us money, it's worth it because it moves us towards a definition of what a university is.' We can either take a narrow look, understanding that there are students that have been hurt and that we never should have done this or we can take a broader look and say that is the best interest as we go down the road.... As we look to the future, I am absolutely confident that this is in the best interest. If I wasn't, A) I wouldn't be here and B) I wouldn't have allowed it to happen!"

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Derek Laliberte leads the offense attack for the Dons.

Soccer teams roll past Hillsdale

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Coming into the Sept. 13 soccer match against Hillsdale, Assistant Coach Mike Harper said, "Today is going to be a lot closer match. The men have improved greatly and they have had some impressive scores. They lost to some top teams in our conference only by a goal difference. The women's team has been winning, as well. They are an improved team. Hopefully we will get double victories today."

Last year, the IPFW men's soccer team defeated Hillsdale College while the women's soccer team struggled against them. This year, however, both IPFW's men's and women's soccer teams were ready for the challenge. The sunny weather, high temperature and somewhat small crowd did not constitute an obstacle to the teams whose determination was visible through the great efforts to steal the ball, keep it and score.

Braden Butler got the Dons on the board first with a goal coming only 10 minutes into the contest. That was just what the Dons needed to get them rolling on the right track. Teammates Drew Lenhardt and Ian Luya each scored for the Dons. Luya netted two goals in the Dons' 4-0 triumph.

"For the men, it was important to win because they needed to have some fun. They have been struggling with this NCAA Division I thing and some ineligible players. We finally got our goalkeeper back, All-American goalkeeper Jeff Richey, and he is a take-control kind of guy. We got our first shot-out of the season, everybody got to play and they had fun with the game, so that was important to them."

The women's team, which did not manage a victory last season, came into this game looking to pick up their second victory in only four games. IPFW got on the board in a hurry as Shacina Hersey scored the first goal of the contest just two and half minutes into the game and later scored the game winner later that half to put the Dons ahead. Goalkeeper Jodi Schnelker had four saves and only allowed one goal as the team improved to 2-2. Hersey, who scored her team-high third goal of the season, was complimented by Head Coach Terry Stefankiewicz, "She's a very good player from Massachusetts who should help turnaround this program."

"The women played a team that had five wins and only one loss, so the odds of us winning were not very favorable and to beat them 2-1 was a big win for our women's team. It was one game in which the women possessed the ball more than the other team, played very hard and scored on a corner kick that we had just put into our game plan–the first one that worked perfectly and that was our game winner. It was a very positive thing for the women and the men and hopefully now the momentum will start to go and hopefully we will get two more victories this weekend," added Stefankiewcz.

Although the Dons cannot compete in any post-season tournament now because of Division I guidelines, Coach Mike Harper said that the game was mainly important for the win/loss record. "We are in a probationary period, so for two years our schedule is just a schedule that we keep track of the wins and losses, but there is no affiliation with a conference and we cannot get into a post-season play," said Stefankiewicz. "Two years from now, we will be in Division I and hopefully in a conference so that we can get into an NCAA Tournament which we were in last year."

This past weekend, the men's soccer team did defeat Lewis 2-0 and St. Joseph's 1-0. Richey recorded his third straight shut-out as the men improved to 4-2. The women's soccer team, however, was shut-out against both Lewis (0-3) and St. Joseph's (0-3) and fell to 2-4.

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